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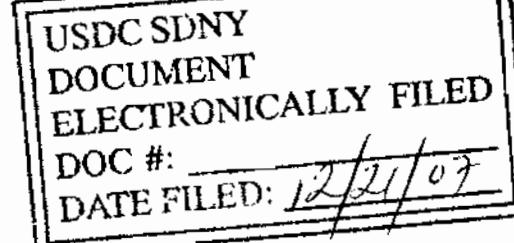
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December 19, 2007

BY FACSIMILE

The Honorable Loretta A. Preska
United States District Judge
Southern District of New York
500 Pearl Street
New York, New York 10007

Re: United States v. Abu Kamara
07 Cr. 747 (LAP)



Dear Judge Preska:

① On the defendant's motion, the pre-trial conference before Your Honor that was previously scheduled for today has been rescheduled by Your Chambers for January 23, 2008, at 4:45 p.m.

② The Government respectfully requests that the Court exclude time from today until January 23, 2008, pursuant to the Speedy Trial Act, Title 18, United States Code, Section 3161(h)(8)(A). The ends of justice served by such continuance outweigh the interest of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial because the continuance will allow the defendant to continue his review of the materials produced during discovery and to have any appropriate discussions regarding a possible disposition of this case.

SO ORDERED

LORETTA A. PRESKA
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

December 20, 2007

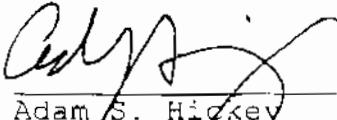
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Defense counsel has specifically consented to this request for the exclusion of time.

Respectfully submitted,

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